

John H. Frey

Biography

State Representative John H. Frey won re-election to serve as State Representative for the people of the 111th District on November 5, 2002. A Ridgefield resident since 1965, Representative Frey attended the Ridgefield public schools and graduated from Ridgefield High School in 1981. He went on to study at Western Connecticut State University.

Serving in his third term as Ridgefield's chief advocate in Hartford, Representative Frey was appointed by the House Minority Leader, Robert M. Ward, to serve as an Assistant Minority Leader. Rep. Frey also serves on the Legislature's Finance, Revenue, & Bonding Committee and the Insurance & Real Estate Committee.

For the 2003-04 term, Frey will continue to represent the House Republican caucus on the OPM Bonding Subcommittee and the Transportation Bonding Subcommittee.

During the 1999-2000 legislative sessions, Frey supported over \$500 million in tax relief, including a seven cent cut in the gas tax, a \$75 sales tax exemption, a sales tax free week, an increased property tax credit, a phase-out of the gift tax, and the elimination of the state income tax on the Social Security income for certain taxpayers.

Representative Frey has supported measures to improve education for students at all grade levels, to protect benefits of seniors and Veterans residing in Connecticut, to preserve consumers' rights, to reform state government, and to secure pristine open space acreage.

Representative Frey has also been instrumental in securing state aid for local projects in Ridgefield, including the Ridgefield Playhouse, school construction and improvements, the Ridgefield Veterans Community Center, the Aldrich Museum, and the Ridgefield Boys & Girls Club.

Before winning election to the state House of Representatives, Governor John Rowland appointed Representative Frey 'Chairman' of the Connecticut Real Estate Commission in 1995, holding the distinct honor as the commission's youngest Chairman in state history. Representative Frey was also appointed 'government representative' for the University of Connecticut Business School Center for Real Estate and Economic Studies.

His political experience holds the same level of experience and integrity. Representative Frey served as a member of the Ridgefield Republican Town Committee from 1981 to 1998 and has been a member of the Republican State Central Committee since 1989. During the 1998 election year, Representative Frey was the Chairman of the 5th District Republican Congressional Convention and the Regional Coordinator for the 'Friends of John Rowland' campaign.

In 1996, Representative Frey was the 5th District coordinator for the Bob Dole Presidential Campaign and was a delegate to the Republican National Convention in San Diego, California where he represented the state as a member of the Platform Committee.

Representative Frey was also a member of the Connecticut Institute of Municipal Studies Property Revaluation Task Force, Chairman of Ridgefield's Parking Authority, and is a 'Justice of the Peace'.

His government experience as former legislative assistant and legislative director from 1985 to 1986 for the state Senate Minority Office has provided Representative Frey with a strong, knowledgeable background of the legislative process and the expertise to effectively represent the people of Ridgefield.

Representative Frey is the Principal/Co-owner of Century 21 Landmark Properties with office in Ridgefield, Redding, and Wilton. Since founding the firm in 1992, he has provided full real estate service; specializing in residential, commercial, relocation and fine homes division. Representative Frey's firm has received the distinguished "President's Award" for top quality service and high production.

Representative Frey holds a long list of memberships to various professional organizations, including: Advisory Board member of America On-Line's Real Estate Desk; Century 21 National Broker's Conference; Employee Relocation Council; Ridgefield Board of Realtors; Connecticut Association of Realtors; and the National Association of Realtors.

In addition to his extensive business and governmental background, Representative Frey remains active in the Ridgefield community. He is a member of the Ridgefield Chamber of Commerce, the Ridgefield Community Center, the Ridgefield Family Fourth Committee, and the Ridgefield Arts Council. Representative Frey is a former president of the Ridgefield Workshop for the Performing Arts and fundraiser for the Easter Seals of Connecticut.

Representative Frey resides on Copps Hill Road in Ridgefield.